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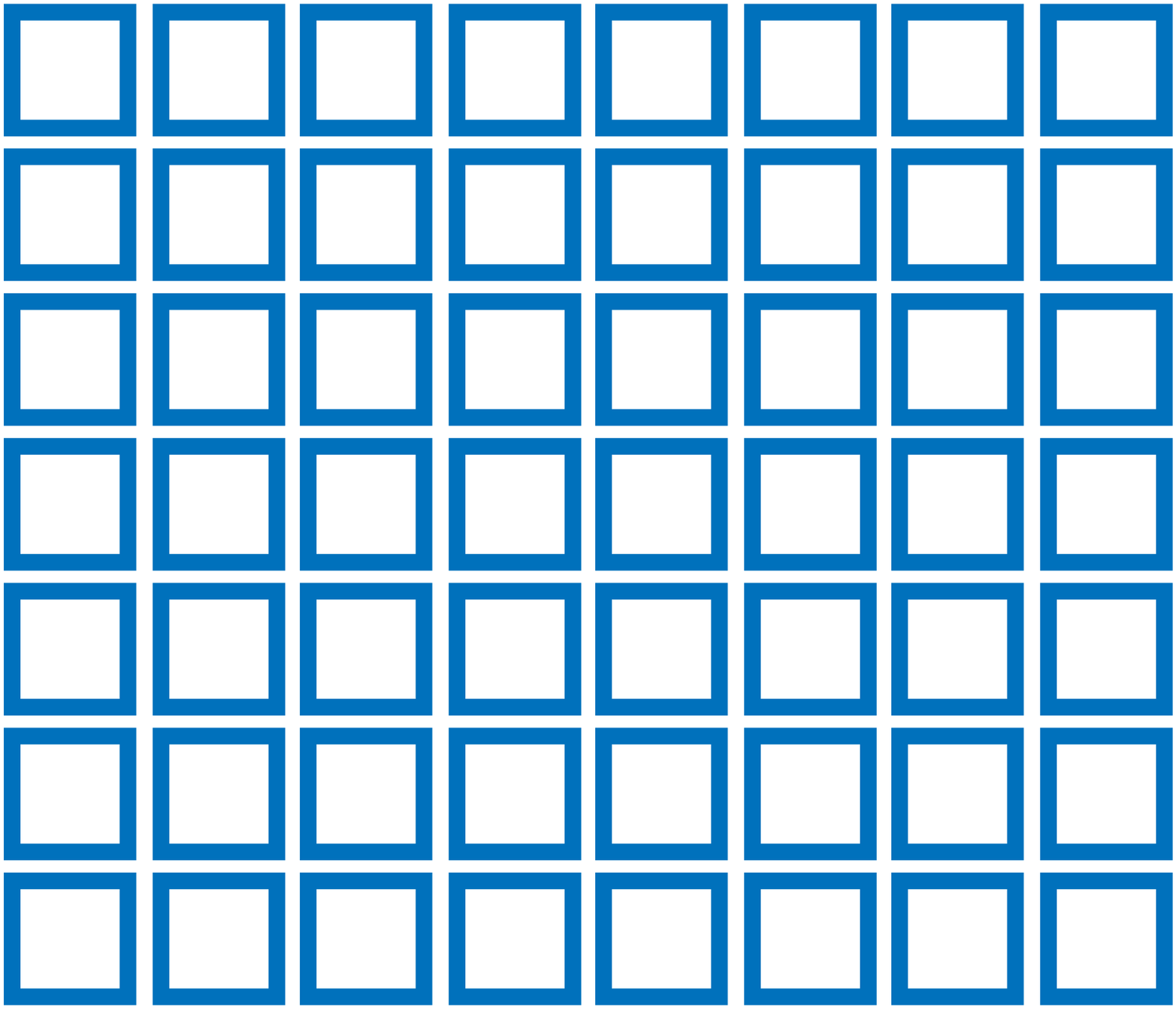

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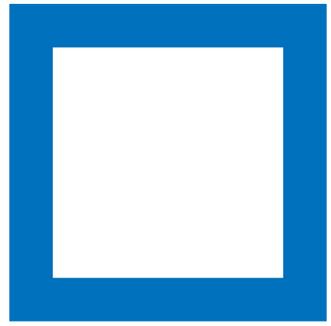

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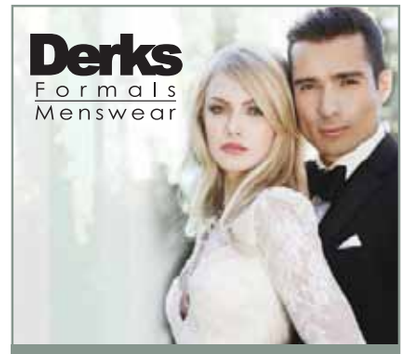

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IN SOLIDARITY WITH FRANCE

Marie-Charlotte Richert, who moved to Calgary from Paris two months ago, signs a book of condolences to send to the French Consulate during a rally at city hall Sunday to honour the victims of the attacks on the Charlie Hebdo newspaper headquarters and subsequent hostage takings in France. It came on a day when millions marched in France in solidarity. For the local story, see page 4. For the international story, see page 10. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Eviction tops list of tenancy calls

Inquiries. Overall call volume on the rise

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If you've ever called Service Alberta to get information about an eviction, you're far from alone.

Recent numbers indicate a plurality of calls concerning the Residential Tenancy Act (RTA) coming from Calgary are inquiries about eviction, making up nearly 30 per cent of call volume from April 1, 2013, to March 31, 2014.

Of the more than 18,000 calls Service Alberta received during that time frame from Calgary, more than 5,500 were about eviction, followed closely by general residential tenancy calls.

Gerry Baxter of the Calgary Residential Rental Association (CRRA), said he's "not surprised" the majority of calls are concerning eviction.

"For the last 18 months to two years roughly ... the market has favoured the landlord if you will, from a supply and demand purpose," he said.

"When you get into a market like that, landlords know that there are other tenants and other people out there looking for rental units."

"When they run into a problem with their tenant, they're more likely to seek to terminate a tenancy, as opposed to putting up with the bad behaviour."

Current numbers don't detail whether the call was a complaint or an inquiry, but Calli Stromner with Service Alberta says total RTA calls have been increasing, rising by roughly five per cent when compared to 2010-11.

She says Service Alberta is pleased with the increase.

"We would view it as another opportunity that Albertans are taking to connect with the government," she said.

"We take positive and negative calls."

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Prentice: Timing of election will not be political

Alberta's financial situation is as bad as it has been in decades, and the timing of the next provincial election will be determined by what is in "the best interests of Albertans," Premier Jim Prentice said Friday.

"I've not turned my mind to the timing of an election but I'll tell you this: the timing of an election ... will be driven by what is in the best interests of Albertans, not what is in the best interests of any political party," Prentice said.

While the vote is set by legislation for the spring of 2016, Prentice has refused to close the door to holding it as early as this spring.

Speculation ramped up after former Wildrose leader Danielle Smith resigned and crossed the floor along with eight other members of the Opposition to join the Progressive Conservative government.

The move left Wildrose with just five members and an interim leader. The Official Opposition party has just 19 of 87 candidates in place for the next election.

Wildrose house leader Shayne Saskiw said Thursday an early election would be a mistake given that Prentice promised during last year's PC leadership campaign to follow the fixed-election law.

"People of this province expect all MLAs right now to be focused squarely on dealing with issues at hand, such as the looming financial crisis (of low oil prices)," Saskiw said.

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Council kicks off 2015 with secondary suites

'Ultimate red tape.'
Coun. Druh Farrell says the city can't continue to 'micromanage' with more important topics to focus its time on

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Coun. Druh Farrell said council is seeing an increased number of secondary-suite applications and she expects "a handful" at every public hearing this year. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO FILE

It may be a new year, but it'll be the same old debate when Calgary councillors convene for their first full meeting of 2015 on Monday, where secondary-suite applications are the first four items on the public-hearing agenda.

This marks the first time in the history of this council or the previous council that multiple secondary-suite applications have come forward in the first meeting of the new year — typically a slower time for meeting agendas, given the holiday break that immediately precedes it.

In fact, the only other time this council or the last council dealt with secondary suites to kick off the new year was in 2013, when there was one application from the community of Southwood that was rejected.

Monday's meeting will see two applications from Canyon Meadows, one from Westgate and one from Riverbend.

The Westgate and Riverbend applications are unusual — but not unheard of — in that both properties already contain illegal secondary suites and the property owners are now looking to make them legal by obtaining the proper zoning.

Coun. Druh Farrell, who last year proposed substantial changes to the secondary-suite approval process that were rejected by an 8-7 vote at council, said Sunday the one-by-one approval process for suites is "the ultimate red tape."

"We can't continue to micromanage the planning process," she said. "We've got far more important and bigger topics to spend our time on, but we're not."

In a letter of opposition to the Riverbend suite, however, longtime area residents Elvin and Peggy Hultin urge council to be thorough in their deliberation on an issue they say could "change the face of our neighbourhood forever."

Time-consuming

Individual secondary-suite applications consumed more of city council's meeting time last year than any other issue, according to an analysis by the Manning Foundation.

- One meeting in particular, on Oct. 6, saw 46.7 per cent of total time spent discussing secondary suites.
- City staff estimate there are between 15,000 and 20,000 illegal secondary suites in Calgary but admit even those numbers may be "woefully under-reported."

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1 Crowd. Rallying the troops

Organizer Fanny Ratisseau speaks to the crowd outside Calgary City Hall on Sunday, gathered to honour the victims of the Charlie Hebdo attacks.

2 RIP. Cartoonist not forgotten

Demonstrators carried signs bearing the names of those killed, including this man honouring cartoonist Bernard Verlhac, who drew under the pen name Tignous. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

3 Message. For liberty

A demonstrator carries a "Je Suis Charlie" (I am Charlie) sign, with a handwritten addition: "La liberté ne meure pas! Non aux extrémistes" (Liberty will never die! Down with extremists).

4 Protest. Symbolic signs

People at the rally carried Canadian and French flags, and one demonstrator held a giant pen symbolizing press freedom along with a cartoon drawing of a woman shedding a single tear. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Calgarians show solidarity with Paris

Terror attacks. Rally participants observe moment of silence, 'moment of noise' for victims of terrorism

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On a day when millions marched across France to pay tribute to the victims of the attack on the Charlie Hebdo newspaper in Paris and subsequent hostage takings, Calgarians gathered to do the same.

To show their respect for the dead, a crowd of about 100 people outside Calgary City Hall observed a moment of silence Sunday afternoon.

Then, to show they refuse to be silenced by the attackers' attempts at intimidation, they immediately observed a "moment of noise."

"Charlie! Charlie! Charlie!" the crowed chanted.

Many of those gathered, such as Martine Prajoux, who lived in Paris before moving to Canada 32 years ago, have friends and family in France.

Prajoux said it was overwhelming to see so many march in solidarity to condemn the attacks — an estimated 1.2 million to 1.6 million people in Paris, joined by another 2.5 million across France, according to the French Interior Ministry.

"It makes you want to be there, to be with them," Prajoux said during the Calgary gathering. "So this was good today. We could express ourselves. But our hearts are in Paris."

Marie-Charlotte Richert came to Calgary from Paris two months ago. She attended the rally Sunday to stand with France after the horrifying attacks that saw 12 people killed at the satirical newspaper's headquarters and then at least four hostages killed as the attackers tried to flee authorities.

"It's touched our country, and we need to support them even if we are in another part of the world," Richert said. "It's important because we see in France, there is lot of solidarity."

Prajoux had one word — "unbelievable" — to describe the display of unity in France that also saw dozens of world leaders march with the crowds.

"The most beautiful thing is to see how France reacted and how it unified people all together — the Muslims, the Christians, the Buddhists, any kind of religion. We are all equal," Prajoux said. "That's what France says: liberty, equality, fraternity — brotherhood."

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Early morning incident

Two people seriously hurt in southwest Calgary snowmobile crash

Two people were injured, one seriously, after an apparent snowmobile crash in southwest Calgary early Sunday.

Police and EMS were called to Sheriff King Street and Silverado Way S.W. around 3:45 a.m. after the crash was reported.

According to EMS spokesman Stuart Brideaux, a man in his late 20s was taken to South Health Campus in serious, non-life-threatening condition. A 30-year-old woman was also taken to South Health Campus but after early assessment she was transported in serious condition to Foothills Medical Centre.

"It was predominantly head and facial injuries that were of concern to us," said Brideaux.

Police Det. Steve Adair said the two people were injured after a snowmobile or snowmobiles hit either a tree or a truck.

At this time, police are unsure if speed or alcohol were factors in the crash.

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McDonald's run

Man driving past New Year's Eve party grazed by stray bullet

A Calgary man who was on his way to McDonald's when he was grazed by a stray bullet that went through a car door says he's the luckiest unlucky man alive.

Ryan Korderas says he was sitting in the passenger seat of his friend's vehicle when they passed a house that was the site of a large New Year's Eve party.

"I guess I can cross getting shot off my bucket list," Korderas posted on his Facebook page on Jan. 1.

"Well, grazed anyway. Nice little scratch on my ass and a bullet hole through my friend's girl's passenger door."

The 33-year-old plumber says he felt something hot on his buttock and thought he'd been shot. Seven other people were shot at the party — one of them later died in hospital.

Ryan Korderas FACEBOOK

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Nathan O'Brien honoured at Calgary hockey tournament

'He just never gave up.' Timbit tourney begins with special ceremony

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They remember him as a superhero.

Friends, family and teammates of five-year-old Nathan O'Brien, who went missing alongside his grandparents Alvin and Kathryn Liknes in the summer of 2014, gathered to honour the boy's memory at a special ceremony at the Springbank Park for All Seasons this weekend.

Part of the Nathan O'Brien Springbank Timbit Hockey Festival, which was renamed as a memorial tournament for 2015, was set aside to ensure Nathan's spirit lives on, organizers said.

"He had an excellent spirit where he just never gave up," said organizer Melodie-Joy Miller on Saturday.

"With the tragedy that happened, all of our hearts in the community and of course in surrounding areas just broke for the family, and we said, 'We need to do something to uplift the family and remember Nathan.'"

Many in attendance donned costumes of their favourite comic-book superheroes as a tribute to Nathan, who played for the Springbank Jr. Timbit Senators.

In June, Nathan's mother called the Calgary Police Service to a residence in the 100 block of 38A Avenue S.W. when she came to pick up the youngster from his grandparents, only to find the residence empty.

In the following weeks, law enforcement would comb through several properties in and around Calgary in an attempt to find the three missing individuals. Then, on July 15, police said the disappearance was being treated as a homicide investigation.

Members of the O'Brien family were in attendance at Saturday's ceremony. Nathan's father Rod O'Brien thanked the crowd at Springbank for their support.

"We are deeply honoured," he said. "I can't tell you how happy I was yesterday to walk through the doors and see all the kids smiling again."

Nathan's teammates, law-enforcement officials and city dignitaries, including Mayor Naheed Nenshi, gathered for the event.

"It was important to be here in this facility because this place was really important to the O'Brien family," said Nenshi after the ceremony.

"In addition to that, the loss of Nathan and his grandparents was something we felt very deeply across the city.

"I just think it's amazing that neighbours, friends and volunteers are doing this to give these kids a great experience and honour Nathan's memory."

Police have charged Douglas Garland with the deaths of the three family members.

Members of the O'Brien family share an embrace at the Springbank Park for All Seasons just outside of Calgary on Saturday afternoon. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

Calgary or Calvary? Video shows pastor tell story of punching youth

A frame from the video of an American pastor bragging about punching a youth in the chest. YOUTUBE

Video of an American pastor bragging about leading a "smart aleck" youth to God by "punching him in the chest as hard as I could" is raising eyebrows in Calgary after beginning to circulate widely online.

Some listeners — including American news site Raw Story — have taken the beginning of the pastor's speech to say: "There was a young man in Calgary" and then going on to tell the violent anecdote. But it's also possible the pastor, identified as Eric Dammann of Bible Baptist Church in Hasbrouck Heights, N.J., is saying: "There was a young man in Calvary."

"Calvary" is a Christian term referring to the place where Jesus was crucified and can refer more broadly to "an experience or occasion of extreme suffering, especially mental suffering." It's also often attached to the names of Christian churches and organizations.

Dammann himself used to preach at Calvary Baptist Church in Warwick, N.Y., giving his farewell sermon on Sept. 29, 2013.

In the video, the pastor boasts about meeting a young person named "Ben," who was a "nice kid" but a "real smart aleck."

"He was a bright kid, which didn't help things — made him more dangerous," Dammann says in the video.

"We were outside one day at youth group, and he was just trying to push my buttons. He was just kind of not taking the Lord serious (sic)," the pastor goes on to say as part of an apparent sermon. "So I walked over to him and went — bam! — punched him in the chest as hard as I could. I crumpled the kid. I just crumpled him."

"Then I leaned over and said, 'Ben, when are you going to stop playing games with God?' I led that man to the Lord right there."

The video appears to have been posted to Vimeo initially, reportedly by the church itself, but has since been taken down. It was then re-posted to YouTube on Dec. 21.

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No injuries. Police probe two overnight shootings

Calgary police were searching for a dark-coloured pickup truck that could be connected to two shootings in the city's northeast over the weekend.

The first incident took place around 12:30 a.m. Saturday when suspects fired on a vehicle in the Whitehorn area. Two hours later, police said a minivan was shot at in the neighbouring Temple area.

"In both instances, multiple rounds were fired," said Det. Steve Adair. "No one was injured, but other vehicles in the area were struck."

While police don't know for sure if the two instances are related, they said there are consistencies between the two. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

Ahmadiyya. Muslim group condemns Paris attacks

Members of Calgary's Ahmadiyya Muslim community have "categorically and unequivocally" condemned the attack on the headquarters of the French satirical newspaper, Charlie Hebdo, in Paris.

"It pains me deeply to see violent acts and terrorist activities committed in the name of Islam despite the fact they have nothing to do with Islam's true teachings" Lal Khan Malik, President of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Jamaat Canada, said in a statement. "Under no circumstances whatsoever does Islam permit a person to take the law into his own hands."

Ahmadiyya Muslims in Calgary held special prayers for the victims and their families on Friday at the Baitun Nur mosque in Castleridge. METRO

Police, Somali community aim to build stronger ties

Addressing issues faced by Somali youth. 'We want to narrow the gap between the community and law enforcement,' says Imam Abdi Hersy

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Chief of the Calgary Police Service, Rick Hanson, left, speaks to members of the Somali Canadian community in Calgary on Saturday, as Imam Abdi Hersy looks on. MORGAN MODJESKI/METRO

Amidst the laughter of playing children, Calgary's police chief and Somali community leaders made a commitment Saturday to strengthen their ties.

Roughly 100 members of Calgary's Somali-Canadian community gathered at a mosque in the Forest Lawn-Forest Heights neighbourhood, in order to meet with police officials in the wake of recent incidents that left two Somali community members dead.

Imam Abdi Hersy said members want to work "hand-in-hand" with police and all levels of government to address issues he believes are leading to youth violence in the community.

"We want to narrow the gap between the community and law enforcement," he told the audience.

On New Year's Day, police responded to reports of gunshots at a house party in the 1900 block of 36 Street SW, injuring six and killing 26-year-old Abdullahi Ahmed of Calgary. Less than 24 hours later, Murat Osman Omar, 23, was found dead in an alley by police responding to another report of gunshots.

At Saturday's meeting, Hersy said factors impacting Calgary's Somali-Canadian youth range widely from a lack of affordable housing and education, to feeling isolated from other Canadians. He said these issues can cause youth to turn to crime, It's a problem Calgary's police chief has said he wants to address.

"We know that sometimes young men who don't feel they have a fair opportunity for jobs, or they don't have a fair opportunity to finish school, they get frustrated, because they feel there's no way they can build a life for their families," said police chief Rick Hanson.

"Too often they get enticed into gangs and criminal activity," Hanson stressed. "It's important for all of us to prevent that from happening."

Central Alberta

Urn, swords, guns, two kittens stolen in break-in near Sylvan Lake: RCMP

Police are hoping for the public's help in locating an urn and two kittens stolen from a Central Alberta residence in December along with other items of great personal value to the owners.

They've also made a plea to the perpetrator to return the sentimental items. RCMP investigated at a rural home south of Sylvan Lake after reports of a break-in sometime between Dec. 17 and Dec. 27.

A handmade wooden urn with a floral design that contained the ashes of a loved one was stolen in the break-in.

"Obviously, this item is of significant sentimental importance to the victim's family," reads an RCMP statement.

"Police would like to see the urn returned to the rightful owners."

Also stolen were two kittens, jewelry, two samurai swords, 11 firearms and two laptop computers.

A 2009 blue Honda CRV was stolen as well but was later recovered in the town of Penhold, southwest of Red Deer.

"If you are the person responsible for this crime, please consider dropping this (urn) off at any police station or calling in an anonymous Crime Stoppers tip and providing the current location for it," reads the RCMP release. METRO

300 total. Robbery among privacy breaches last year

The federal government reported 300 breaches of Canadians' private information in 2014, including a dramatic robbery of a courier truck carrying passports in Venezuela last November, Torstar News Service has learned.

A courier truck leaving the Caracas airport was held at gunpoint on Nov. 11. Two packages containing 61 visa decision letters, including passports, were among the contents stolen.

Citizenship and Immigration Canada, the department transferring the passports from the visa office in Mexico City to Caracas, informed the privacy commissioner of the breach on Nov. 26, according to documents obtained under access-to-information law.

The robbery was one of the more dramatic breaches reported to Ottawa's privacy watchdog by federal departments and agencies in 2014.

The Caracas robbery was the second theft of personal information to be reported last November. On Nov. 6, Employment and Social Development Canada reported the loss of 19 applications for funding under the New Horizon for Seniors program. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Khaled Al-Qazzaz

Canadian jailed in Egypt released

An ailing Canadian resident imprisoned in Cairo for more than a year has been released from custody.

Khaled Al-Qazzaz, a 35-year-old University of Toronto engineering graduate, is a former aide to ousted president Mohammed Morsi.

He was arrested along with Morsi and eight other aides in July 2013 when the Egyptian military removed the president from office.

Egyptian authorities neither charged him nor explained why they arrested him. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Without Macdonald, Canada 'simply would not exist': PM

Kingston, Ont. 200th anniversary of Sir John A. Macdonald's birthday celebrated

Stephen Harper paid tribute to the country's first prime minister Sunday, marking the 200th anniversary of the birth of Sir John A. Macdonald by saying the Scots-born politician "forged Canada out of sheer will."

"Never forget, there was nothing certain or inevitable about what Macdonald and his fellow fathers of Confederation accomplished. It was in fact remarkable," Harper told a room full of dignitaries — including two former prime ministers — under tight security at the historic city hall in Kingston, Ont.

"Without Sir John A. Macdonald, Canada as we know it — the best country in the world — simply would not exist," Harper said to applause.

Canadian Transport Minister Lisa Raitt, left, and Canada Post CEO Deepak Chopra take part in the unveiling of a stamp of Sir John A. Macdonald during a ceremony at Kingston City Hall to mark the bicentennial of the birth of Canada's first prime minister. FRED CHARTRAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Macdonald's political career as a Kingston alderman began the year the cornerstone of Kingston City Hall was laid, 1843, and after his death the first prime minister of Canada lay in state in the same room where Harper delivered his remarks.

The Royal Canadian Mint showed off the template of a new Macdonald toonie, and a refurbished portrait of Sir John A. was unveiled.

It was a decidedly non-partisan event — with former Liberal prime minister John Turner and Progressive Conservative Kim Campbell in attendance — but Harper's comments dovetailed with his Conservative party election message this year that Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau is unready to govern despite his lineage and high-profile name.

"Nation-building is never complete," said Harper, noting the "challenges and opportunities" are even greater as Canada approaches its 150th birthday.

The bicentenary of Macdonald's birth has spurred a fresh round of historical review and research, including some unflattering depictions of Macdonald's policies and attitudes toward Canada's First Nations.

He helped implement and defended the residential schools system in the 1880s, the impacts of which remain felt to this day. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Hundreds of thousands march in Paris on Sunday in a massive show of unity and defiance in the face of terrorist acts that killed 17 people. Officials said it was the largest demonstration in French history. LAURENT CIPRIANI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Millions attend biggest rally in France's history

'Our entire country will rise.' More than three million unite, march across France in solidarity against terrorism

Masses of people joined with world leaders to fill Paris streets Sunday in a rally for unity that officials said was the largest demonstration in French history. Hundreds of thousands more marched in cities around the country and the world to repudiate a three-day terror spree around the French capital that killed 17 people and left the three gunmen dead.

Their arms linked, more than 40 world leaders led the sombre procession — Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas; Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko and Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov — setting aside their differences for a demonstration French President François Hollande said turned the city into "the capital of the world."

People streamed through the streets behind them and across France to mourn the victims of the deadly attacks on satirical newspaper Charlie Hebdo, a kosher supermarket and police officers — violence that tore deep into the nation's sense of well-being some compared to 9/11 in the U.S.

"Our entire country will rise up toward something better," Hollande said.

The French Interior Ministry said it's hard to calculate the exact number of demonstrators, but more than three million are projected to have marched across France.

"The terrorists want two things: they want to scare us and they want to divide us," French Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius said.

"We must do the opposite: we must stand up and we must stay united."

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Quoted

"(The terrorists) want to divide us. We must do the opposite: we must stand up and we must stay united." France Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius

Video of Paris gunman emerges online

Two days after his death, a video emerged Sunday of one of the Paris gunmen pledging allegiance to the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL), while his two fellow militants have claimed to be from al-Qaida — a fierce rival.

In video verified by the SITE Intelligence Group, Amedy Coulibaly said he had worked in co-ordination with Said and Cherif Kouachi, the "brothers from our team," who carried out the massacre at the satirical newspaper Charlie Hebdo on Wednesday.

"We did things a bit together and a bit apart, so that it'd have more impact," he said in fluent French.

The video appeared Sunday on militant websites. Police said they were investigating the conditions under which the video was posted.

The brothers killed 12 people at the Charlie Hebdo offices but were killed two days later by police, who minutes later killed Coulibaly, who had taken hostages in a kosher market.

French police and judicial officials said they believed that while Coulibaly was committed to carrying out an attack, he was less of a strict ideologue or well-honed fighter than the Kouachis — and could have found inspiration from either al-Qaida or ISIL.

All three men were French. Later in the video, Coulibaly called on others to carry out new attacks.

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In pictures

1 Israel
A woman at a rally in Tel Aviv holds a pencil and her mobile phone showing the four victims killed in Friday's attack on the kosher supermarket in Paris.
ODED BALILTY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

2 Argentina
A woman holds a sign that says "I am Charlie" in Spanish, outside France's embassy in Buenos Aires.
RODRIGO ABD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

3 Belgium
A building outfitted in solidarity with the French people, with people holding banners on a main boulevard in Brussels. FRANCOIS WALSCHAERTS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

4 West Bank
A Palestinian woman holds a sign that says "I am Charlie" in Arabic during a rally in Ramallah.
MAJDI MOHAMMED/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

5 England
The facade of the National Gallery is lit in the colours of the French flag in Trafalgar Square in London.
TIM IRELAND/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mozambique. Tainted beer kills 56 mourners

Contaminated traditional beer has killed 56 people who were attending a funeral in Mozambique, health authorities in the southern African country said on Sunday.

An additional 49 people were admitted to hospitals in the northeastern Tete province, and 146 more people have reported to hospitals to be examined for the poisoning, district health official Alex Albertini told Radio Mozambique.

Mourners who drank the beer in the morning reported no illness, while those who drank the beer in the afternoon fell ill, authorities said. They believe the beer must have been poisoned while funeral-goers were at the cemetery.

The woman who brewed the beer also died.

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Pombe beer

Pombe, a traditional Mozambican beer, is made from millet or corn flour. Authorities believe that the drink was poisoned with crocodile bile during the course of the funeral.

Brazil

Bus plunges off mountain road

A bus veered off a mountain road near Alfredo Wagner in southern Brazil and fell 50 metres, killing nine people and injuring 25 others, including children. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Peru

23 die after bus crash in Andes

Peruvian authorities said a bus carrying more passengers than permitted fell 100 metres in a remote area of the Andes, killing 23 and injuring 44.

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Divers recover black box from downed AirAsia jet

Parts of AirAsia Flight 8501 lie on the deck of the rescue ship Crest Onyx at Kumai port in Indonesia on Sunday. ACHMAD IBRAHIM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Flight-data recorder.

Data may take weeks to download; cockpit voice recorder still lost at sea

Divers retrieved one of the black boxes Monday from the AirAsia plane that plummeted into the Java Sea more than two weeks ago, a major breakthrough in the slow-moving hunt to recover bodies and wreckage.

The flight-data recorder was found under part of the plane's wing and brought to the surface early in the morning, said Henry Bambang Soelistyo, head of the national search-and-rescue agency.

Divers began zeroing in on the site a day earlier after three Indonesian ships picked up intense pings from the area — but they were unable to see it due to strong currents and poor visibility, said Suryadi Bambang Supriyadi, operation co-ordinator at the national search-and-rescue agency.

He earlier said the black box was lodged in debris at a depth of about 30 metres.

Searchers will continue to scour the seabed to try to locate the other black box, the cockpit voice recorder. They are vital to understanding what brought Flight 8501 down on Dec. 28, killing all 162 people on board.

The flight-data recorder will be taken to the capital city of Jakarta for analysis. It could take up to two weeks to download its recorded data, said Nurcahyo Utomo, an investigator at the National Committee for Safety Transportation.

Officials recovered the aircraft's tail on Saturday, the first major wreckage excavated from the crash site. They were hopeful the black boxes were still inside but learned they had detached when the plane crashed into the sea.

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Cheap gas good for tourism: Industry

More bang for their buck. Tourism operators may use lower loonie to bring more Americans to Canadian roadways

Falling gas prices and a weakening loonie are raising hopes within Canada's tourism industry that 2015 will be a banner year.

Ian Jack, a spokesman for the Canadian Automobile Association, says if the price at the pumps holds until the spring, he expects an increase in the number of people travelling by car this year. According to the CAA, the national average price of gas hit a high of $1.39 a litre last June. On Friday, that average was 92 cents a litre.

Only 14 per cent of about 1,000 CAA members surveyed said they planned to drive more during the recent Christmas holidays. But Jack said most people don't like to drive in the winter and he expects those numbers will rise during the warmer months.

"If we continue to see low prices into the spring and summer we do expect a significant uptick in car vacations in Canada," he said.

Statia Elliot, director of the school of hospitality, food and tourism management at the University of Guelph, agrees.

"I think with the way the dollar is and the way gas prices are, we're going to see good, strong demand for summer vacations," she said, adding that cost is one of the top factors people consider when deciding to travel.

"Three-quarters of what we call tourism is generated by our own Canadian travel, and with low gas prices that will encourage more people to get in the car and travel closer to home," she said.

Elliot said that, while Americans likely aren't watching the loonie, smart tourism operators will use their marketing savvy to encourage Americans to come to Canada. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Other side of the coin

Falling price hits oilpatch

When it comes to figuring out how much pain tumbling crude prices are going to inflict on the oilpatch, one investment strategist says it's not so much a question of how low oil will go, but of how low for how long. "You don't really know at this point how it's going to turn out," said Kara Lilly, with Mawer Investment Management in Calgary.

A barrel of U.S. benchmark crude oil settled at $48.36 US on Friday, less than half of where it was just six months ago. The price weakness has already caused widespread cuts in the oilpatch, with drilling budgets being sliced. The spectre of job losses looms.

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New media outlets shaking up political reporting

A slightly fuzzy, zoomed-in screengrab from question period took a brewing controversy for Environment Minister Leona Aglukkaq and crystallized it into a tale of callous indifference.

"Leona Aglukkaq reads newspaper, ignores questions about people looking for food in dump," read the headline last month by Press Progress, a social-media-focused news organization funded by the Broadbent Institute.

From there the story was touched on by mainstream news organizations, who appeared to miss the fleeting visual during the House of Commons broadcast.

Press Progress is snarky, easy-to-read, unabashedly left-wing and opinionated and part of a new group of digital media organizations covering politics on Parliament Hill. Vice, The Tyee, the Vancouver Observer and rabble.ca now have correspondents in Ottawa. The digital outlets iPolitics and Huffington Post were the first of the new wave.

In the United States, such news sites as Politico, Talking Points Memo, Roll Call and Buzzfeed Politics have been making their mark for years.

The new Canadian players with different funding models are filling in some of the empty chairs in the press gallery left by shrinking traditional media outlets. And they're challenging some of the notions about what political reporting looks like.

The new outlets aren't just altering the media landscape on Parliament Hill but ultimately also the larger political communications context. Parties are already grappling with how to reach audiences, which are more fragmented and less loyal.

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VOICES

TIME TO EMBRACE TELEWORK

To break up winter gridlock, workplaces need to be more flexible

KLASZUS' CALGARY
Jeremy Klaszus

Why do so many people commute to the office every single day when they can easily work elsewhere?

Most do it because their employers expect it, of course. But when snow grinds traffic to a miserable halt, as happened last week, this expectation seems especially dated and inefficient.

I mulled this over last week as I listened to radio traffic reporters describe apocalypse and mass frustration on city streets due to the winter weather. (I myself didn't go very far, so I'm trusting it was as hellish as they said.)

When the roads are disastrous, it's a mistake to fill them needlessly. Doing so wastes time and energy, creating traffic headaches while increasing Calgary's carbon footprint.

Winter calls for adaptability.

We slow down when driving. We take alternate routes to avoid icy hills. We get to the transit stop earlier because we know buses will be late and slow. We adapt based on conditions.

That adaptability should apply to where we work, too.

As a city and broader culture, we're moving that way. But it's slow going.

Robyn Bews, director of WORKshift (a Calgary Economic Development effort to promote telework), says we're in a "tricky awkward time" when companies have the technology to enable telework — working remotely — but are hesitant to embrace it.

"I think we're just ill-equipped," Bews said. "We don't know how to manage people, so we default to seeing them."

I spoke with Bews by phone on the one day a week she works out of the office. That part is key: WORKshift, she says, isn't about sending people home five days a week but about the flexibility to work where one can get the best results. "Our kids are going to be laughing at us for having had this interview," she said. "I don't see a future where we're all tethered to our desks."

The good news is that Alberta appears to be leading the way in telework. A 2013 BMO poll found that of all provinces, Alberta had the highest rate of companies offering telecommuting, at 34 per cent. The same poll found nearly two-thirds of companies that offer telecommuting said it boosted morale and helped with employee recruitment and retention.

Locally, ATB Financial is one of the leaders in this shift, with a Workplace 2.0 program that encourages staff to work from home and elsewhere. "They're not in the business of managing bums in seats anymore," Bews says. The company has reported happier employees and reduced real-estate costs, as it doesn't need as much office space.

This doesn't just benefit the company involved. It benefits the entire city. The more people you can get working remotely, at least some of the time, the fewer cars are on the road, freeing up coveted commuting space.

"Cities have a lot to gain by encouraging big employers to embrace this," says Bews.

Think about that the next time you're stuck in gridlock.

Your Calgary

Brand new Canadians

Proud parents take photos of children singing the national anthem after officially becoming Canadian citizens during a ceremony on Thursday at the Harry Hays Building in Calgary.

A total of 88 people from 33 different countries were welcomed as new Canadians during the citizenship ceremony, the first of three such ceremonies that day. ROBSON FLETCHER / METRO

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Letters

RE: Charlie Hebdo shooting coverage

What would the Prophet do? When I learned of the recent barbaric killing of 12 innocent people in Paris, France, I was extremely saddened and deeply disturbed.

First and foremost, my thoughts go out to the victims and their loved ones. It pains me greatly to hear that such acts are carried out in the name of Islam. I am a member of the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community and have always been taught the message of "Love for All, Hatred for None." These acts have no place in Islam.

What perplexes me most is why do these ignorant extremists not think to ask themselves, "What would the Prophet of Islam do?"

He would respond to those who insulted and abused him with a smile and a kind word. This is the Islam that I know and love. As true Muslims, insults against the Prophet should be dealt with love and prayers. I pray for those who feel the need to attack my religion. I pray even more for those who feel violence is the solution. **Ejaz Arshad, Calgary**

A different interpretation The Latuff drawing, to me, represents the gunmen actually doing more harm to Islam (represented by the mosque) than it is about a potential backlash. Their bullets are aimed at the newspaper, but really, they are hitting their own faith. **Giacomo Cassano**

Don't let the thought police win As a journalism professor I absolutely support — and sometimes enforce — the use of a precise and appropriate vocabulary. However, I was astounded to read the comments of a colleague criticizing the term "barbaric" with regards to the Charlie Hebdo attack.

First, any murder committed in the name of religious belief — whatever the religion — can certainly be described as barbaric and connotation of this term seems particularly appropriate here. But the main point is that this kind of soothing language/thought police is precisely what the murdered journalists stood against. In its excess, their provocative style was a manifesto against too-easily-offended sensibilities.
B. Labasse, Ottawa

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Cable TV rules Golden Globes

Award season.
Major TV networks mostly shut out of winner's circle while indies make a strong showing on film side

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Metro in Hollywood

The reigning theme on the red carpet for this year's Golden Globes might have been red gowns, but inside the Beverly Hilton it was awkwardness — horrible, painful awkwardness. Even veteran hosts Tina Fey and Amy Poehler couldn't escape the cringe-inducing atmosphere in the Beverly Hilton ballroom, especially when launching into dueling Bill Cosby impressions.

Even planned bits during the awards show — like Margaret Cho as a Hollywood Foreign Press Association member from North Korea taking a photo with Meryl Streep — were awkward, though in that case that might have been the point. And the awkwardness seeped into the spontaneous moments, like when Jeremy Renner made mention of co-presenter Jennifer Lopez's "globes" (see sidebar).

Of course, the real point of the night was the awards. On the film side, the indie film presence was strong. Boyhood was the big winner, taking home best drama and best director, plus a win for Oscar favorite Patricia Arquette in best supporting actress. Wes Anderson's The Grand Budapest Hotel won the best comedy feature award, while Michael Keaton won best actor in a comedy or musical for Birdman — which also won Best Screenplay — and J.K. Simmons won best supporting actor for his work in the Sundance hit Whiplash. Elsewhere, How to Train Your Dragon 2 took best animated film, The Theory of Everything won best score and Common and John Legend's Mercy for Selma won best original song.

In the world of TV, things were less awkward than they were surprising as Jane the Virgin star Gina Rodriguez surprised awards prognosticators by taking best actress in a comedy or musical and Amazon's first nominated series, Transparent, won best comedy or musical series and best actor for star Jeffrey Tambor.

In fact, the four major TV networks — CBS, NBC, ABC and Fox — were pretty much shut out from the awards Sunday night. Joanne Froggatt brought home her first Golden Globe, a supporting actress trophy, for Downton Abbey, taking home an award her co-star Maggie Smith has previously won. But the big winner for the night was freshman FX drama Fargo, which earned an award for the show itself and supporting actor Billy Bob Thornton. Showtime's The Affair was also a big winner, brining home best drama series and best actress for Ruth Wilson. Kevin Spacey matched Robin Wright's win last year with his own for House of Cards.

Despite high hopes, Tina Fey and Amy Poehler turned in possibly their weakest Globes hosting appearance, disappearing for most of the show after a stilted opening. Even before the show began, hosts Fey and Poehler confirmed that this go at hosting the awards — their third in a row — would be their last.

"Next year they should go with someone younger and easier to work with, like a Japanese hologram," Poehler joked on the red carpet. Maybe next year's will be less awkward.

Tiny Fey, , Margaret Cho — as a North Korean journalist — and Amy Poehler. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kevin Spacey accepts the award for best actor in a TV drama series for his role in House of Cards. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Amy Adams wins a Golden Globe for her role in Big Eyes. GETTY IMAGES

Awkward moments

1. While presenting an award with Lopez, Renner decided to try ad-libbing. Lopez pointed out that she had "the nails" to open the envelope, to which Renner added that she also had "the globes." She did not seem pleased. Her dress was not doing J.Lo any favours, with some sort of rogue underwire taking it upon itself to impale one of her boobs the whole night. It was ... distracting.

2. Competing Cosby impressions: Amy Poehler and Tina Fey broke the seal on Bill Cosby jokes early, but segued quickly into trying to get his voice right while the audience cringed.

3. The lack of A/C: This was also a remarkably shiny Golden Globes this year, too, with presenters, winners and random audience members looking very, very sweaty.

4. Jennifer Aniston was joined on stage by Benedict Cumberbatch, who was seemingly picked at the last moment by Fey and Poehler. Either he really was, or he and Aniston are better actors than we thought, because that banter was struggling.

5. Kristen Wiig's Robert De Niro impression: Apparently there are some things she can't do.

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One VIP guest came to the Golden Globes nearly naked and boldly sat by the door as though nothing was amiss. Salem, a canine expert at sniffing out explosives, just wore his regular work vest to the black-tie affair at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. Here are some of the mostly fully clothed stars who passed Salem's sniff test

ALL PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

Red carpet looks from the glitzy Golden Globes

George Clooney arrived exactly an hour before the start of the Golden Globe Awards, and he brought along some famous friends. Model Cindy Crawford and actor Bill Murray rode in a sport utility vehicle with Clooney, who upon exiting the vehicle pointed out his new wife, Amal, to bleacher fans. The group received boisterous cheers, but the loudest ones were reserved for Mr. and Mrs. Clooney. Some stars, including Clooney, sported "Je Suis Charlie" pins.
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Lena Dunham

Jennifer Lopez

Amy Adams

Kerry Washington

Gone Girl's Rosamund Pike walked the red carpet in a daring sideless and backless Vera Wang dress. She told InStyle magazine the week before that, "What you try to do is something that will live up to a dream you might have had when you were a little girl."

Emma Stone

Wearing an elegant tuxedo, The Theory of Everything's Eddie Redmayne proved why he has made a number of best-dressed male celebrity lists this year.

Matthew McConaughey

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Blake Lively ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Be careful, or Blake Lively will surprise you with a baby

So maybe the real reason Blake Lively held off on announcing the birth of her daughter for a couple of weeks was so that she could punk her friends.

She at least managed to pull off a surprise baby attack with one pal, Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants co-star Amber Tamblyn. When asked how she found out about Lively's big news, Tamblyn responded with a measured, "That bitch! She tricked me," according to People magazine.

See, what happened was that Tamblyn was heading up to Lively's Bedford, N.Y., home recently, totally unaware that the nursery was now occupied. "I went up there and I didn't know. Everybody knew but me, and she does that s— to me," Tamblyn explains. "She was texting me about wallpaper. She was like, 'You've got to come see my new wallpaper.' And I went up there, and there was her baby." Enjoy it while you can, Blake, because that trick only works so many times.

Bieber's camp insists Calvin Klein images were 100 per cent Canadian bacon

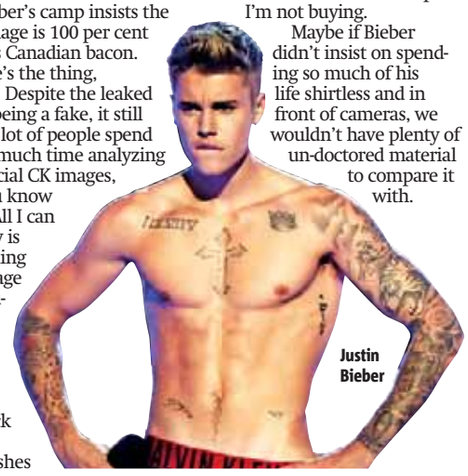
So those supposedly original photos from Justin Bieber's Calvin Klein photo shoot showing a much skinnier and less well-endowed Biebs that hit the Internet late last week? Totally fake.

Maybe the fact that they were leaked to a website you've never heard of before should've been a clue. Or maybe a closer look at Bieber's crotch — and again, I'm really sorry I have to keep suggesting you look at that — would have clearly shown that the "un-retouched" photos were actually more Photoshopped than the official versions.

That website, breatheheavy.com, by the way, removed the image and posted a retraction, saying it had received a cease and desist letter. The Calvin Klein folks swear that Bieber acted like a perfect little gentleman the entire shoot, and Bieber's camp insists the final image is 100 per cent Bieber's Canadian bacon.

Here's the thing, though. Despite the leaked image being a fake, it still made a lot of people spend far too much time analyzing the official CK images, and you know what? All I can see now is retouching and image manipulation. For instance, that massive back muscle that pushes out past his shoulder blades? Yeah, no. And the bloated pecs, I'm not buying.

Maybe if Bieber didn't insist on spending so much of his life shirtless and in front of cameras, we wouldn't have plenty of un-doctored material to compare it with.



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Don't be a divorce dummy

Legal bills. Avoiding lawyers might seem like a good idea when navigating a split, but separation agreements need to be solid

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Be aware that so-called 'kitchen table' agreements usually don't pass court scrutiny. ISTOCK

Everyone knows divorce is expensive. According to Darren Gingras, President of the Common Sense Divorce (with which I am affiliated), the average divorce costs $15,000 to $25,000 depending on whether the courts have to get involved. Is it any wonder people would rather DIY?

You might be tempted to take family law matters into your own hands because you're trying to save money.

Maybe you don't think your case is particularly complicated. Perhaps you have a basic mistrust of lawyers and the legal system's penchant for making everything more complicated than it need be.

Or maybe you just don't want to spend the money; splitting assets is going to leave you broke enough!

Hey, I hear what you're saying. But I've been divorced enough times to know that if you don't know what you're doing — and if you're not a family lawyer, you don't — you could miss some important things that will screw with you later.

No, I'm not saying you have to hire a gunslinger.

I'm saying if you don't know what you don't know, how will you avoid stepping in the poop?

Family lawyers have a name for those documents people like to create for themselves as they are separating: They call them 'kitchen table' agreements, because they're often signed in the kitchen over a cup of coffee. And their eyes flash with delight because they know that untangling the mess made will be profitable for them. Very profitable.

Sure, you'll save some money if you work out the details of your separation agreement amicably. That's common sense. But if you don't get independent legal advice to ensure all the i's are dotted and the t's crossed, lawyers and court costs may be in your future.

Just because you agree to a thing doesn't make it stickable. Just because you execute it, have it witnessed and follow it religiously, doesn't make it stickable. Kitchen table agreements can be tossed to the curb as soon as the weaknesses have been uncovered.

Take for example the kitchen table agreement that was thrown out by an Ontario court because child support was not implemented according to Ontario provincial guidelines.

And the kitchen table agreement that was nullified because financial disclosure wasn't done, so one spouse didn't fully appreciate what she was giving up when she waived her claim to her partner's pension.

And the kitchen table agreement in which one partner tried to pull the wool over the other's eyes.

Courts booted those agreements to the curb, leaving them not worth the paper they were written on. And because the courts got involved, those cheap kitchen table agreements got very, very expensive.

Perhaps it is our desire to get out of our current relationship that has us rushing to agree.

Hey, it all seems so reasonable right now. But what about the future?

Will whatever you agree to today stand the test of time?

And how about the tax man? Will he come looking for his piece of the pie?

Creating a legally binding and long-lasting separation agreement doesn't mean you have to go to court. Nor does it mean that you have to escalate matters.

And you don't have to give away all of your assets to the legal system, either.

It does mean spending enough money to ensure that your separation agreement is consistent with the your province's Family Law Act and that everyone involved fully understands what it is that they are agreeing to and signing.

How much is enough? According to Gingras, for a separation agreement to have teeth, you're looking at about $4,000.

No matter how tempted you may be to "keep the lawyers out of it," please, please don't put your faith in an office-supply-store separation agreement kit.

Gingras has seen more of these go south than he cares to think about.

"You want to spend enough money to do it properly the first time," he says.

Precedents

In the case of Zheng v. Jiang, 2012, when the court struck down the agreement that had been made by separating partners, it said:

"It seems to me that this is the very type of homemade agreement entered into by spouses who are not properly informed as to the facts and law surrounding their circumstances that (the Family Law Act) was designed to deter. I agree with the statement in Sagl v. Sagl ... that "the policy of the Act is to discourage 'kitchen table' agreements."

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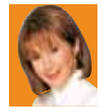

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Fajitas are a great dish to serve for families, since everyone can make their own as desired.

Pork is a lean meat, and with today's agricultural practices, can be cooked to a medium doneness rather than well done as instructed years ago.

The cone presentation is a real treat visually and tastewise. Any leftover fajita mixture can be served on its own if all doesn't fit into the tortilla cone. Using various coloured tortillas is attractive, but if you want more fibre go for the whole wheat tortillas.

Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 375 F. Spray a 12-cup muffin tray with cooking oil spray. Fold each tortilla in half, then form into a cone, overlapping the sides. Fold up the point of the cone about an inch, then press the tortilla in every other muffin cup so they don't crowd each other. Spray each cone with vegetable oil. Bake for about 10 minutes or just until lightly browned and crisp.

2. Spray a large non-stick skillet with cooking oil and place over medium-high heat. Cook the pork for about for 2 to 3 minutes, or until cooked through. Do not overcook or it will dry. Remove from pan.

3. Add the oil to the same pan and brown the onions and garlic, about 4 minutes. Reduce the heat to medium. Stir in the red pepper strips and cook until softened, about 5 minutes.

4. Remove the pan from heat. Stir in the cilantro, green onions and the cooked pork.

5. Divide the stir-fry among tortilla cups, sprinkle with cheese and serve with garnishes.

Ingredients

- 6 large flour tortillas
- 12 oz boneless pork tenderloin sliced thinly
- 2 tsp vegetable oil
- 2 1/2 cups thinly sliced onions
- 1 1/2 tsp minced garlic
- 2 1/2 cups red bell pepper cut into strips
- 1/4 cup chopped cilantro
- 1/4 cup chopped green onions
- 3/4 cup shredded light cheddar

Garnish (Optional)

- 1/3 cup medium salsa
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Press pause on your procrastination

Education. Gaining an understanding of why we put off tasks is crucial to successfully seizing the day

Learning how to use your time wisely takes practice. ISTOCK

It's a New Year's resolution students the world over make again and again: "This is the year that I will stop procrastinating on my assignments."

But one professor says that the first step to ending this habit is to rethink the way we view it. "The research shows that self-awareness is the first step in any kind of behaviour change," says Dominic Voge, associate director of the Undergraduate Learning Program at Princeton University.

"Most people see procrastination as some kind of failure in yourself, but that's a fundamental misunderstanding of the problem."

We asked Voge why so many of us procrastinate and what we can do about it.

Identify the problem

"Procrastination is often a self-protection strategy," he explains. "It's protecting our self-concept of being capable and smart people." This concept is particularly common among post-secondary students, many of whom are experiencing an academically competitive environment for the first time. "If we wait until the last minute to study or write a paper, we can say to ourselves, 'If I perform poorly, it's because I didn't have enough time," Voge says.

Learn to use blocks of time

"It's easy to say 'Why even start' if you only have an hour between classes or if you are really tired, notes Voge.

"But you can say, 'Instead of watching TV, I can review my notes from class or I can skim a chapter of my textbook,'" he says. The trick is to assign yourself reasonable tasks. A half-hour is probably not enough to do your chemistry assignments, but it's enough time to review vocabulary for a language course.

Forgive yourself

"Most people see procrastination as some kind of failure in yourself, but that's a fundamental misunderstanding of the problem."

Dominic Voge
Associate director of the Undergraduate Learning Program at Princeton University

Give yourself a fun goal

Part of the reason procrastination often feels like an insoluble problem, says Voge, is because "procrastination feels like a big wall, (it blocks you). So what is something that is going to get you over that wall?"

Voge suggests making a list of your interests and long-term goals to figure out your motivations. Do you like the satisfaction of successfully solving a problem or delving into research? Concentrating on the aspects of your classes that you like rather than focusing only on grades (which aren't solely in your control) goes a long way.

Study

Eyes bear the brunt of tech device overuse

People are so addicted to their digital devices that it is posing a threat to their eyesight, a new report indicates.

According to a report by The Vision Council, 93.3 per cent of Americans spend two or more hours every day on digital devices for work or play, resulting in "digital eye strain." A shocking 30 per cent spend more than half of their waking hours (nine hours or more) using a digital device.

The condition is defined as "temporary physical discomfort" felt following two or more hours in front of a digital screen. Its symptoms include redness, irritation, dry eyes, blurred vision, eye fatigue, back and neck pain and headaches.

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That's not my name, that's not my name!

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Dear Metro,
One of the VPs at my company has been calling me the wrong name for about a year, and I've been too nervous to correct her. We didn't work together directly, so it didn't seem to matter. However, I've just been assigned to a project that reports directly to this particular VP. Now I'm scared it will be super weird when she realizes she's been mixing up my name! How can I make things less awkward?
— Answers to Anything

Dear ATA,
It's true your boss may feel a little embarrassed when she realizes her misnomer. But while calling someone the wrong name is an honest accident, answering to the wrong name on purpose is peculiar.

Your response should reflect how badly your title is getting butchered. If we're talking Kate vs. Katie, just laugh it off. Sue vs. Tatiana might be harder to ignore. To avoid seeming scared-to-talk timid, address the issue before your VP gets another chance to mis-address you.

Own up to your role in this protracted case of mistaken identity, making it clear that you took no offence.

Keep things light: This is a harmless mistake, and the fallout should only be as awkward as you choose to make it.

Dear Metro,
Winter is a slow period at my company, and I'm so bored! Our office is open-concept, and I don't want my boss to see me slacking on the Internet. But there's just not enough work to do! How can I fill the hours when there's nothing to fill them with?
— Climbing the Walls

Dear CTW,
A lot of baggy-eyed, both-end- burners would trade their company-issued iPhones for your problems.

If there's really no work to do — have you already told you boss you could take on more? — create initiatives for yourself. These could be small-scale, like cleaning your desk or reorganizing your email. Or you could aim bigger by pitching a career-boosting project outside the scope of your usual work.

Instead of killing time on Facebook or Twitter, turn your online doddling into research: Spend your slow days Googling new skills or ideas in your field. It's also possible you've simply plateaued in your current situation.

In that case, you could use this winter slump to search for new jobs. Very discreetly, of course.

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Many Canadians still waiting on dream job

Career. Workers seek meaning and fulfilment over money in career, says Monster Canada survey

What sacrifices would you be willing to make to find a job that fulfils you? ISTOCK

So much for punching the clock. Turns out most Canadians are emotionally connected to their work and consider a current or previous job as life-changing, says a new Monster Canada survey.

But as 2015 gets underway, four in 10 workers say there still waiting for that dream job that will add meaning to their life, according to the job search firm's report.

For the 59 per cent of Canadians who say their job has a major impact on their lives and how they feel, the reasons are most likely to be non-financial, the report reveals.

Eighty-six per cent say the job that changed their life identified special skills they possess and new things they are good at, while 80 per cent say it increased their sense of self-worth. More money came in third at 70 per cent, it says.

Still, it should be on employers' radar that 39 per cent of working Canadians feel that they will need to jump ship in order to find the job that will change their life, said Sheryl Boswell, Monster Canada's director of marketing.

"While it's encouraging to see that many have found the job that changed their life, the numbers show that many others still have a desire to find better," she said.

"Given how emotionally invested Canadians have told us they are in their work, finding a fulfilling job is paramount when it comes to overall happiness, and employers need to take note," added Boswell.

Meanwhile, a year-in-review report by Workopolis found that 88 per cent of Canadians say they had to change employers to attain a more senior role, and the average worker can now expect to hold 15 positions throughout their career.

"Employees often leave companies for the same reason they join them," said Tara Talbot, vice president of human resources at Workopolis. "Opportunity for career advancement is most often the deciding factor of accepting or leaving a position," she said in a release.

The year-end Workopolis report revealed frequent job changes have become a necessity because only 11.5 per cent of workers are promoted within an organization.

It also says that on average, it takes 12 years at three or four different employers to move from an entry-level position to the rank of supervisor or above.

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I need a change

The Monster Canada survey also shows that Canadians are not only comfortable switching employers, but also locations.

- Since 2010, about 16.5 per cent of people have started a new role in a different province, a 21 per cent increase in the last 10 years, it found.

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Federer wins title, 1,000th match

Roger Federer turned the Brisbane International final into a grand occasion Sunday, beating the up-and-coming Canadian Milos Raonic in three see-sawing sets to register his 1,000th career match win.

It's a grand number for a 17-time Grand Slam champion, making him the only player after Jimmy Connors (1,253) and Ivan Lendl (1,071) to win 1,000 times on the men's professional tour.

"Clearly it's a special day for me, winning a title plus getting to the magic number of 1,000," Federer said after his 6-4, 6-7 (2), 6-4.

"For some reason 1,000 means a lot because it's such a huge number. Just alone to count to 1,000 is going to take a while."

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Curling

Canada captures Continental Cup

Canada swept all three skins games in the first draw on Sunday to win the Continental Cup at Canada Olympic Park.

Winnipeg's Mike McEwen secured the victory when he picked up a full point in his match against Sweden's Niklas Edin, giving Canada an insurmountable lead over the European team. McEwen went on to win by a score of 3-1/2 to 1-1/2.

Three more skins games were to play out Sunday night. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Buffalo

Bills hire Rex Ryan as coach: Report

Rex Ryan is staying in the AFC East after reaching an agreement Sunday to coach the Buffalo Bills.

A person familiar with the talks told The Associated Press the former New York Jets coach accepted the Bills' contract offer after two days of discussions. The person spoke on the condition of anonymity because the Bills have not discussed their search to replace Doug Marrone.

At the same time, a second person familiar with talks told the AP the Bills are negotiating to hire Greg Roman as offensive co-ordinator.

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Packers advance amid controversy

NFL playoffs. Video reversal aids Green Bay in holding off Dallas for berth in NFC championship game

Cowboys receiver Dez Bryant attempts to make a catch over Sam Shields of the Packers on Sunday in Green Bay. Initially ruled a catch, the call was reversed upon review. MIKE MCGINNIS/GETTY IMAGES

Hobbled but happy, Aaron Rodgers might have felt a bit lucky, too.

No matter: The All-Pro quarterback and his Green Bay Packers are one step away from the Super Bowl.

More stationary than usual because of a left calf injury, Rodgers rallied the Packers from an eight-point deficit with two second-half touchdown passes to beat Dallas 26-21 Sunday.

The Packers, helped immensely by a video reversal with 4:06 remaining, went undefeated at Lambeau Field this season. They head to Seattle — which beat Carolina 31-17 on Saturday — next weekend in the NFC title game.

"I think I got 120 minutes left in me," Rodgers said.

Green Bay might not have had any time left in its season if not for referee Gene Steratore's decision. Dez Bryant's leaping, bobbling 31-yard catch at the Packers' one-yard line on a fourth-and-two play was challenged by Green Bay coach Mike McCarthy. Instead of first-and-goal for Dallas, the ball went over to the Packers.

"Some people think throwing the red flag is fun," Packers coach Mike McCarthy said. "It was such an impactful play, you had to challenge. It was a confident challenge. And a hopeful one, too."

One packed with controversy, as well.

"Look, I'll tell you this, I've never seen that a day in my life," Bryant said. "I want to know why it wasn't a catch."

Because Bryant didn't maintain control all the way to the ground, as the rule states. Replays showed Bryant bobbling the ball as he rolled into the end zone, with part of it touching the field.

"By rule he must hold onto it throughout entire process of contacting the ground," tweeted Dean Blandino, the league's director of officiating. "He didn't, so it is incomplete."

An impassioned Bryant didn't buy it.

"All I know is I had possession, I had possession of the ball coming down," Bryant said. "That's possession, right? One, two, reach. Bam, that's possession."

The Cowboys' first post-season trip to Green Bay since the 1967 Ice Bowl for the NFL championship resulted in their first road defeat of the season after eight victories.

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Snake-bitten

Detroit Lions receiver Calvin Johnson, had a similar catch reversed in 2010, and they also were stung last week in the wild-card round against the Cowboys when the officials picked up a flag that would have given them a critical fourth-quarter first down.

- The Lions tweeted: "Sorry @dallascowboys. We know the feeling," with a link to the Megatron play and the hashtag "CompletingTheProcess."

Luck leads Colts to upset of Manning, Broncos

Colts linebacker Jonathan Newsome forces Broncos quarterback Peyton Manning to fumble on Sunday in Denver. JACK DEMPSEY/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Andrew Luck threw two touchdown passes and the Indianapolis Colts upset Peyton Manning and the Denver Broncos 24-13 Sunday in the AFC playoffs.

The Colts advanced to the AFC championship game next weekend in New England. The Patriots rallied past Baltimore 35-31 Saturday in the other AFC divisional playoff.

The Broncos were left to deal with the hangover of yet another playoff debacle — and maybe questions about Manning's future and that of coach John Fox, as well.

Manning, who joined the Broncos in 2012 after his release from Indy, has gone one-and-done in the playoffs a record nine times in his otherwise stellar career. That includes twice in Denver, where he's 38-10 in the regular season but just 2-3 in the playoffs.

Overall, Manning is 11-13 in the post-season.

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4 SPORTS

Ortio flying high after delayed departure

NHL. Finnish call-up gets first big-league shutout in rare Flames win in Vancouver

Joni Ortio had to overcome a lot more than the Vancouver Canucks to record the first shutout of his NHL career.

The rookie goalie made 36 saves to help the Calgary Flames blank their Pacific Division rivals 1-0 on Saturday following a 48-hour ordeal that included lost baggage, a cancelled flight and a new pair of contact lenses.

Ortio was recalled by the Flames from their AHL affiliate on Wednesday after Karri Ramo went down with an injury, but didn't join the team until Friday afternoon.

"It wasn't fun, I'll tell you that much," said Ortio. "There was a huge snowstorm in Chicago and I kind of got stranded there and cancelled my flight and I went through Toronto and Winnipeg on my way to Calgary.

"I know shorter routes than that."

To make matters worse, the airline lost his luggage — including his contacts — and sticks somewhere in transit.

"I don't know where, but I got replacement (contact lenses)," said Ortio. "My gear made it, thank God."

The 23-year-old shook all that off to help Calgary (22-18-3) snap a three-game losing streak and pick up its first victory over Vancouver since March 2013.

Ortio — who played his first game in the NHL this season and just the 10th of his career — is also the first Flames goalie to shut out the Canucks since Miikka Kiprusoff did it in a 1-0 victory back on Nov. 5, 2005.

The pair also just happen to both be from Turku, Finland.

"When I was growing up, when I was little I looked up to (Kiprusoff) a lot when he was playing back home for my hometown team and then when he came over I kept following him," said Ortio, who backed up Jonas Hiller in Friday's 6-5 loss to the Florida Panthers. "He's been a big influence on my career for sure.

"It makes it more special. I think it was about time someone shut out the Canucks."

Mikael Backlund scored in the first period for a Calgary team that came in 0-6-3 over its last nine against Vancouver.

"Joni didn't have it easy coming in here, tough couple travel days and didn't get much sleep so it was great to see him have a great performance," said Backlund. "Obviously it pumps us up when he makes some big saves and without him we wouldn't have won the game. He was player of the game, for sure."

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Coach weighs in

"Great performance. I thought he was in control from the first shift, his rebound control was great, great focus, big win."

Flames head coach Bob Hartley on goalie Joni Ortio's play in a 1-0 shutout win over the Canucks on Saturday night.

Goaltender Joni Ortio got the 1-0 shutout win over the Canucks on Saturday night in the Flames' first win in Vancouver since Dec. 23, 2011. RICH LAM/GETTY IMAGES

La Liga

Messi for peace (at Barcelona)

Lionel Messi almost single-handedly restored peace at Barcelona by scoring once and setting up two more goals in a 3-1 win over Atletico Madrid Sunday.

Afterward he denied reports by saying he never called for coach Luis Enrique to be replaced.

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NBA

Hawks streak past Wizards

The streaking Atlanta Hawks made it look easy against the Washington Wizards.

"At this point, I don't think we've played a better game," guard Kyle Korver said. "We had that six-minute stretch in the second quarter, but otherwise that's about as good as we've done this year."

Korver scored 19 points and DeMarre Carroll added 16 to help the Eastern Conference-leading Hawks win their eighth straight game, 120-89 over Washington on Sunday.

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NBA. Grizzlies block out Suns in double OT

Marc Gasol scored the first seven points in the second overtime, Zach Randolph had 27 points and 17 rebounds and the Memphis Grizzlies outlasted the Phoenix Suns 122-110 on Sunday night.

Gasol finished with 12 points to help Memphis snap a two-game losing streak. Mike Conley added 25 points and eight assists and Courtney Lee had 18 points.

Isaiah Thomas led Phoenix with 20 points, but had a costly turnover trying to get the ball into the front court with the Suns leading late in the first overtime.

Markieff Morris added 17 points, Alex Len had 14 points and 13 rebounds, and P.J. Tucker, Eric Bledsoe and Marcus Morris had 11 points apiece. Bledsoe had a chance to win it in the first overtime, but his off-balance shot in the lane banged off the front of the rim at the buzzer.

Phoenix has lost two straight.

The Suns found themselves in foul trouble in the second overtime. Goran Dragic fouled out in the first overtime on Thomas' turnover. On the first play on the second overtime, Len fouled out on Gasol's field goal. Then Markieff Morris was called for his sixth foul with just over two minutes left.

Grizzlies big man Zach Randolph had 27 points and 17 rebounds against the Suns on Sunday night. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Grizzlies were without forward Tayshaun Prince and swingman Quincy Pondexter, awaiting the completion of a three-team trade. On Saturday night, a person familiar with the deal said the Grizzlies, Boston Celtics and New Orleans Pelicans have agreed on a five-player trade that would send forward Jeff Green from Boston to Memphis. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the trade hadn't been announced. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
You may be in a cautious mood as the week begins but that's OK because this is a time for thinking things through rather than throwing yourself at life.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
This is a great day for meeting with friends. On the career front, your ambitions may seem lofty to some but you know that anything is possible if you want it enough — and you do.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
Whatever you want out of life you will find a way to get, but you will get it quicker if you make friends with the kind of people who can open doors.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
You want to do something out of the ordinary. Only you can decide what that something is going to be. The planets indicate it will be fun and change your life for the better.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
You need to think long-term rather than merely aim for short-term gain. That applies in particular to business and professional matters.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Partnerships will be vital over the next few days and even if you are the kind of Virgo who prefers to work alone it will pay you to join forces with someone who shares your ambitions.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
The tougher the challenge the more you like it and that's just as well because the planets indicate you will be put to the test over the next few days.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
This is potentially one of the best times of the year for you and anything of a creative or romantic nature is sure to go well over the next few days.

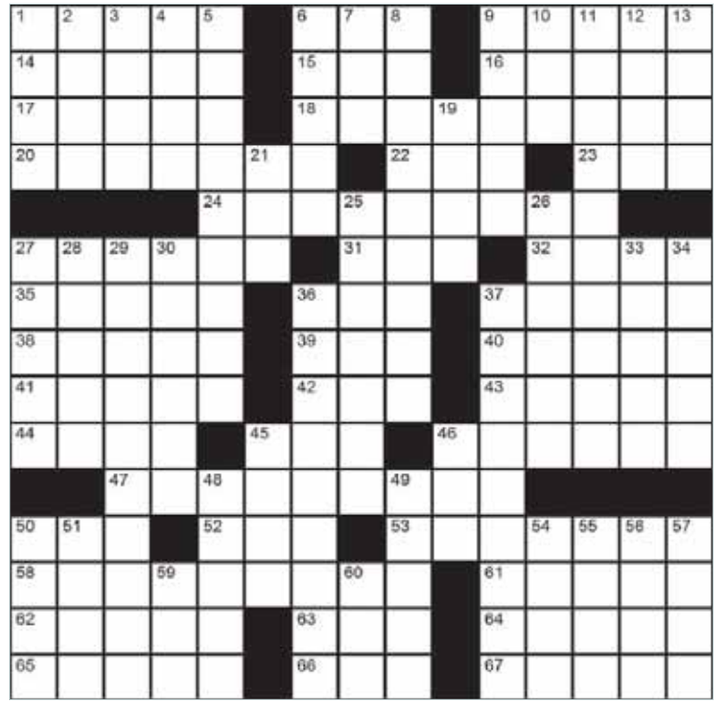
♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Anyone who thinks they can coerce you to do something you do not approve of is living in cuckoo land. When it comes to family matters though try not to take such a hard-line stance.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You will meet some interesting people over the next few days and that's good because your focus has been too narrow. Chances are you will learn something to your advantage.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Under no circumstances sell yourself short this coming week, because the moment you do is the moment everyone starts taking advantage of you.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Something you start over the next few days is destined to be of major importance to you. Mars in your signs means you will outshine rivals and make a name for yourself.

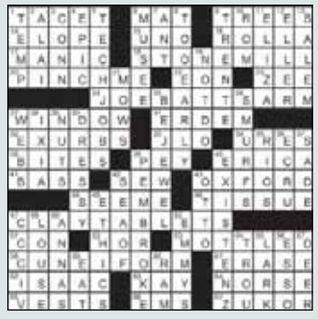
Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan



Across
1. "__ __ a gun!"
6. Inventor Mr. Whitney
9. Coffee preference
14. Fantasy novelist Ms. Canavan
15. "__ Dieu!"
16. Rice-_-__
17. Wedded bliss event, briefly
18. What outstanding movies generate: 2 wds.
20. Notion
22. 'Honor' suffix
23. "The __" (CBC series about a First Nations community)
24. General Motors of Canada vehicle assembled in Oshawa, ON: __ Impala
27. Prickly
31. Caravansary
32. "Begone!"
35. Dolphin-riding Greek poet
36. Orange ball org.
37. Clipped
38. Swiss chocolate brand
39. Cafeteria crumb
40. High: French
41. Wise mentors
42. Arctic explorer John
43. Fire-starting felony
44. John Mellencamp's "Get _ __ Up"
45. Senators city, briefly
46. Add on
47. Amanda Marshall hit: 2 wds.
50. Volkswagen convertible model
52. "Scalpel..." settings, shortly
53. To the skies
58. Southern Ontario: Municipality of South Bruce village
61. Former police officer
62. Pageant winner's prize
63. Friend: French
64. 1st Greek letter
65. "__ __ favour, say 'Aye'."
66. 1960s brother of a Pres.
67. Fix the road this way

Down
1. Disconnected, in music [abbr.]
2. Yes __ __ question
3. Trevor __ (Tony-winning Cats director)
4. Of a lyric poem
5. Canada's beaver coin amount: 2 wds.
6. Be a ham on stage
7. Rock's __ Lonely Boys
8. In the flesh
9. Ms. Hannah
10. Tarzan creator's monogram
11. Order! Halifax __ __, a National Historic Site of Canada
12. LA Kings player Mr. Kopitar
13. Soda sound
19. "East of Eden" (1955) brother
21. Smart letters
25. Singing technique
26. F's music equivalent, _ __
27. Lightweight wood
28. Font style
29. Arctic animal known as 'Nattiq' to the Inuit: 2 wds.
30. Spanish corner store
33. Joe __, What the Butler Saw! playwright
34. Make hair stand __ __
36. Montreal-born Marvel Comics superhero aka Jean-Paul Beaubier
37. Some undergarments
45. Cajun cooking ingredient
46. Slitherer
48. Ottawa-born actress Kelly
49. Russian monarchy founder
50. Vintage comic, __ Kett
51. Eye: French
54. Wheel shaft
55. Sales slip, shortly
56. Capital of Qatar
57. Tussle
59. __ Lanka
60. "Unbelievable" group

Friday's Crossword



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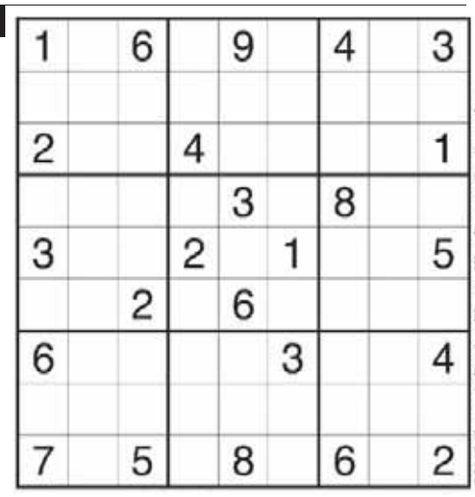

Friday's Sudoku

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1	4	2	8	6	5	9	3	7
3	6	7	1	2	9	8	4	5
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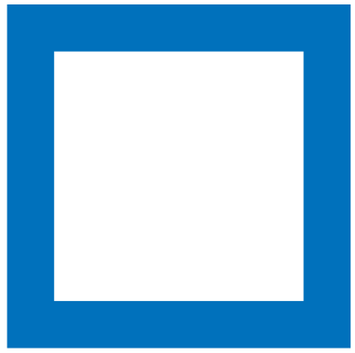

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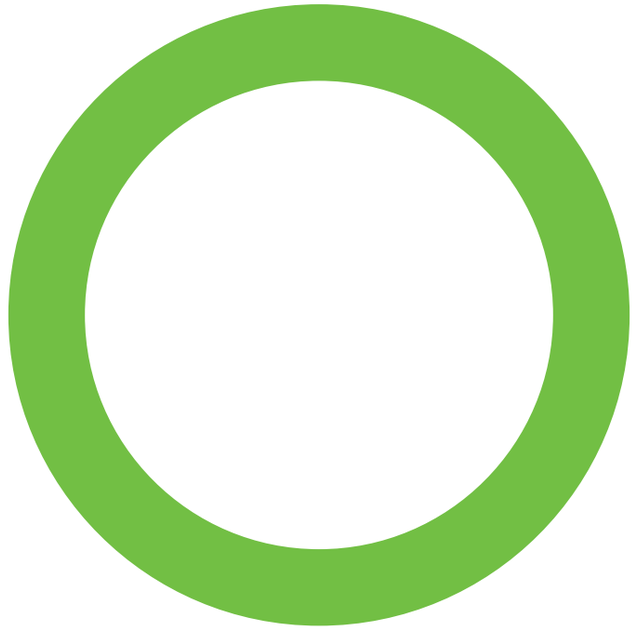

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